IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

CARPENTERS FRINGE BENEFIT FUNDS OF		
ILLINOIS, et al.,) CIVIL ACTION	
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Plaintiffs,) NO. 08 C 3346	
)	
VS.) HONORABLE RONALD A. GUZMAN	
)	
LONGSHORE/DALY, INC., a corporation,) MAGISTRATE JUDGE VALDEZ	
)	
Defendant.		

INITIAL STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to this Court's standing order, the Parties hereby submit this Initial Status Report with a proposed discovery schedule, and state as follows:

- 1. Plaintiffs, Carpenters Fringe Benefit Funds of Illinois, *et al.* ("Funds") brought suit pursuant to 29 U.S.C. §§ 1132 and 1145 of ERISA, against Defendant, Longshore/Daly, Inc., ("Longshore/Daly"), to recover unpaid contributions, liquidated damages, interest, costs and attorneys' fees from Defendant.
- 2. Counsel for the Funds and Longshore/Daly propose the following discovery schedule:

Initial disclosures due: August 22, 2008

Deadline to amend pleadings and join parties: October 31, 2008

Discovery to be completed: October 31, 2008

Deadline for filing dispositive motions: December 5, 2008

Longshore/Daly has filed its Answer acknowledging its obligations to the Funds, but is disputing the amounts that are due. The parties are actively engaged in settlement discussions, and anticipate that this matter will be resolved by a Settlement Agreement.

assigned Magistrate Judge.		3.	The parties have discussed, and would be willing to consent to proceed before the
assigned Magistrate Judge.			

Respectfully submitted, Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney of record, hereby certifies that on or before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 5th day of August 2008, he electronically filed, **Initial Status Report**, with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send an e-mail notification of such filing to the following:

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